

Subject: SB 5625

To whom it may concern,

I have been a registered nurse in the state of Ct. since May 12, 1985, almost 30 years. I have been employed by physicians in the aesthetic field since 1983, as a student nurse before acquiring my RN, BSN degree in 1985.

I believe this proposed bill is a sad reflection of the current state of our health care system. I feel the primary reason of such a proposed bill is that of finances, and many other non core physicians performing aesthetic non surgical treatments. There was a time , not long ago that providers of cosmetic injectable companies would not even sell to non core physicians, and non core meaning all those not dermatologists, plastic surgeons or ENT's. Now any discipline with a medical degree can inject anything , anywhere? A urologist injecting a neurotoxin on the face?

I am a member of the ASPSN American Society of Plastic Surgical of Nurses , and have spent 30 plus years learning, being certified in plenty of injectables, lasers, ultrasound devices, and radiofrequency devices.

I find it deplorable that if practicing within the scope of practice, this proposed bill hold any merit.

I feel nurses who have dedicated their careers to this specialty, being threatened to no longer perform their jobs is incomprehensible.

I feel physicians with much deeper pockets can afford lobbyists on their behalf, is pathetic to drive RN's and APRNs out of their scope of practice. Additionally does this mean only surgeons can practice the definition of surgery? How is a GP or ob gyn, or urologist more qualified than a plastic surgical RN or APRN to perform things that the nurse has been doing legally, practicing within the scope of her license?

My best,

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